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REPORT
OF
THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF
THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY
HELD IN
THE SENATE CHAMBER
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
TORONTO

On Friday, May 21st, 1971 at 11:30 o'clock in the Forenoon

Officers: President, Professor W. L. Morton; Vice-President, Colonel C. P. Stacey; General Editor, Dr. Morris Zaslow; Editor, Ontario Series, Professor Wm. Ormsby; Honorary Secretary, Mr. P. S. Osler, Honorary Treasurer, Mr. J. K. Armour; and Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Eleanor Cook.

Members: Miss Julia Jarvis, Mr. T. W. Tweed, Mr. G. W. Brigden, Mr. D. Macgregor, Professor P. B. Waite, Dr. C. Schwenger.

Regrets were received from Messrs. J. Conacher, J. Warkentin, C. B. Fergusson, E. V. B. Pilgrim, C. M. Spooner, W. K. Lamb, H. Krause, G. B. Donaldson, R. Wilson, Mrs. B. Berg, Professor Margaret Ormsby.

The President, Professor W. L. Morton, was in the Chair and the Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Eleanor Cook acted as Secretary to the meeting.

On motion by Miss Julia Jarvis, seconded by Mr. Osler the minutes of the last annual meeting, which had been printed and circulated, were approved.

Membership Report:

The Honorary Secretary, Mr. P. S. Osler, reported that there are 827 members at present with some changes and additions in process. A discussion ensued with expressions of views by several members as to how many members of the Society there should be.

On motion by Mr. Osler, seconded by Mr. Armour, the Membership Report was adopted.

Treasurer's Report:

The Honorary Treasurer, Mr. J. K. Armour, presented the following financial statement which had been audited by Mr. Kenneth Clements.

The Champlain Society

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1970

(With comparative figures for the year ended December 31, 1969)

	1970	1969
<i>General Series</i>		
<i>Receipts:</i>		
Members' Fees	\$ 9,399	\$ 9,765
Royalties from Greenwood Press	2,500	7,500
Permission Fees	1,045	462
Sales of Back Volumes	631	312
Sales of Library Editions	12	48
Interest	1,345	810
U.S. Premiums, less Bank Charges	<u>243</u>	<u>703</u>
	<u>\$15,175</u>	<u>\$19,600</u>

Disbursements:

General Expenses, including editor's and secretary's honoraria and out-of-pocket expenses	\$ 3,327	\$ 3,374
Legal Fees	—	298
Printing and Delivery of Volume 44 & 45	<u>23,113</u>	<u>—</u>
	<u>\$26,440</u>	<u>\$ 3,672</u>
Excess Receipts over Disbursements	\$(11,265)	\$15,928
Add cash on deposit at beginning of year	<u>30,157</u>	<u>14,229</u>
Cash and term deposit at December 31, 1970	<u>\$18,892</u>	<u>\$30,157</u>

Ontario Series

Receipts:

Grant from Ontario Government, Department of Education	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Sales of Back Volumes	<u>40</u>	<u>115</u>
	\$ 5,040	\$ 5,115

Disbursements:

Editor's and Secretary's Honoraria	\$ <u>375</u>	\$ <u>1,050</u>
Excess receipts over Disbursements	\$ 4,665	\$ 4,065
Add cash on deposit at beginning of year	<u>12,105</u>	<u>8,040</u>
Cash on deposit at December 31, 1970	<u>\$16,770</u>	<u>\$12,105</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO: The Champlain Society

I have examined the statement of receipts and disbursements for the Champlain Society for the year ended December 31, 1970. My examination included a general review of the account procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the attached statement of receipts and disbursements presents fairly the financial position of the Society as at December 31, 1970 and results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

KENNETH CLEMENTS,

May 20, 1971

Chartered Accountant.

On motion by Mr Armour, seconded by Mr. Brigden, the financial statement was adopted.

Editorial Reports

General Series:

Presented by Dr. Morris Zaslow.

The prolonged postal strike in Britain earlier this year has occasioned a delay in the delivery of Volume XLVI, "The Journal of Major John Norton," edited by Professors C. F. Klinck and J. J. Talman, which was to have been received early in 1971. Our latest advice was that delivery would be made in May. In the meantime, the manuscript of the next volume, "The North-West Campaign of 1885," edited by Professors Desmond Morton and Reginald Roy, is progressing towards the publication stage, with likely delivery sometime in early 1972.

Prospective future volumes include, from previous years, an edition in two volumes of the Minto-Laurier Correspondence, by Professor Paul Stevens and Dean John Saywell of York University; J. F. Lafitau's classic *Les Moeurs des Sauvages Ameriquaines*, also in two volumes, translated and edited by Professor William N. Fenton of the State University of New York at Albany, and Dr. Elizabeth Moore; the reports of William Duncan, C.M.S. missionary at Metlakatla, B.C., to his superiors in England, edited by myself; and the fifth and final volume of the Simeon Perkins diary, edited by Dr. C. Bruce Fergusson. Suggestions for other volumes were received and considered, one of which was approved for publication. This is a proposal from Dr. E. A. (Mrs. A. H.) McDougall of Westmount, Quebec, to edit a selection of the letters received by the Glasgow Colonial Society between 1821 and 1843 from its missions in British North America.

The volume on the North-West campaign marks the close of ten years' service as general editor, a period made pleasant by the many friends I have met and been associated with in connection with this work. It has become increasingly evident, however, that the pressures of other commitments are affecting my ability to give as good service as I would like, and that the best interests of the Society require the appointment of someone with a fresher outlook and different views to direct the publications programme in the next period. I have decided, regretfully, to give up the general editorship at the earliest convenient time in terms of the smooth functioning of that programme. I desire to express my thanks to the officers and members with whom I have worked, and my deep feeling of appreciation at having been given the opportunity to contribute in a small way to the progress of such an illustrious and productive scholarly organization.

On motion by Dr. Zaslow, seconded by Col. Stacey, the General Editor's Report was adopted.

The President expressed the regrets of the council of Dr. Zaslow's determination to retire, its understanding of his reasons for deciding to do so, and its sincerest thanks for his long and efficient labours in maintaining the editorial standards of the Society's publications during his tenure of office.

The Chairman introduced to the meeting the new Editor of the Ontario Series, Professor William Ormsby.

Professor Ormsby originally came from Simcoe County and during his career has been a Professor at the University of Toronto, was then with the Public Archives of Canada and is now head of the Department of History at Brock University.

Ontario Series:

Presented by Professor Ormsby.

The ninth volume in the Ontario Series, *The Thunder Bay District, 1821-92*, edited by Professor Elizabeth Arthur of Lakehead University is expected to be sent to members by the summer of 1972. The University of Toronto Press has estimated the cost of this volume at \$16,321.00 plus an additional \$3,000.00 for distribution.

Upon taking over the editorship of the Ontario Series from Miss Edith Firth, I wrote to the editors of the four volumes approved for future publications. I have discovered that none of these manuscripts are likely to be completed before 1974, or ready for publication before 1975. Indeed some of the editors spoke in terms of the late 1970's. Consequently I recommend for your approval a volume (or possibly two volumes) consisting of selections from the diary of Col. John Prince to be edited by Mr. R. Alan Douglas, Curator of the Baby House in Windsor. Mr. Douglas is free

to start to work on the project almost immediately. I would hope that he might have a manuscript completed by the spring of 1972 and that the volume could be published in the early summer of 1973. There is a considerable degree of vagueness about some of the future volumes which I will endeavour to clear up before the next annual report.

The rising costs of printing of the series has been under consideration of a Committee appointed by the Council. As a result of the Committee's recommendations Council has decided to approach the provincial government with a request for additional financial assistance.

On motion by Professor Ormsby, seconded by Professor Peter Waite, the Report of the Ontario Editor was adopted.

On motion by Professor Ormsby, seconded by Miss Julia Jarvis, a vote of thanks to Miss Edith Firth for her long and successful editorship of the Ontario Series was carried unanimously.

LIBRARY EDITIONS

Beginning with Volume XL, The Champlain Society has printed extra copies of each volume in a Library Edition which is identical with the regular series except that the Society crest has been deleted from the spine. These extra copies were printed for the purpose of meeting the wishes expressed by libraries and other institutions for extra copies of particular volumes and to replace worn out or lost volumes. The price of these Library Edition volumes is \$13.00 per copy, postage prepaid.

The following volumes are available in the Library Edition:

XL Glover: David Thompson's Narrative, 1784-1812

XLI Upton: Diary of Chief Justice William Smith, vol. 1

XLII Upton: Diary of Chief Justice William Smith, vol. 2

XLIII Fergusson: Diary of Simeon Perkins, 1776-1803

XLIV Spry: Papers of the Palliser Expedition, 1857-1860

XLV Lamb: Journal of Gabriel Franchere

XLVI Klinck and Talman: The Journal of Major John Norton, 1816

Extra copies of the great map of British North America, 1865, prepared to accompany the Papers of the Palliser Expedition, are also available, unfolded, suitable for mounting or framing, at a price of \$4.00 per copy postage prepaid.

Orders for the foregoing items should be addressed to:



Mrs. Eleanor Cook,
Executive Secretary-Treasurer,
The Champlain Society,
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Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Election of Council:

Mr. P. S. Osler presented the report of the Nominating Committee. It was moved by Mr. Osler, seconded and carried that: —

Mr. Hugh Dempsey of Glenbow Foundation, Calgary
Miss Malvina Bolus, Editor of the Beaver of the Hudson Bay Company,
Winnipeg

both be elected to Council for a three year term; and that,

Dr. Margaret Ormsby of Vancouver
Mr. Murray Bell
Mr. J. M. Gray
Dr. W. Kaye Lamb
Dr. Paul Stevens

be re-elected to Council for the ensuing year and that the remaining members of Council be re-elected for the balance of their respective terms.

OTHER BUSINESS

The general question of the selection of an Honourary President was discussed and the Nomination Committee was requested to consider and recommend to Council a suitable name for election as Honourary President of the Society.

Comments were made by some members on the Archives of the Hudsons Bay Company. On motion by Professor D. Macgregor seconded by Professor Ormsby, it was resolved that Dr. Wilfred Smith of the Public Archives of Canada be informed of the general wish of this Society that the Archives of the Hudsons Bay Company should be made available and particularly made available in microfilm, and that this should be in addition to the present availability of the "London index".

It was reported in this connection that the Hudson's Bay Company has already opened its Archives for the period from 1870 to 1900.

Col. Stacey moved the adjournment of the meeting.

After the annual meeting the Council elected Officers for the ensuing year.

List of Officers

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